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Propositions

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1. L3 English development should be studied from several focus points to get a complete picture of what factors, besides bilingualism, influence the development. (chapter 2)
2. Language contact is a crucial factor in successful English language development. (chapter 4)
3. Research in L3 oral proficiency should take individual speaking style in the first Ls into account. (chapter 5)
4. Early Frisian-Dutch bilinguals experience inhibition and not facilitation of their L1 in Frisian-English and English-Frisian language pairs in a Lexical Decision Task, slowing their RTs down. (chapter 6)
5. Development over time shows fluctuations in both early Frisian-Dutch bilinguals' and later Dutch-Frisian bilinguals' L3 English development. (chapters 4, 5 and 6)
6. Early Frisian-Dutch bilingualism is not an asset nor an obstacle in L3 English development. (chapter 7)
7. Bread, butter and green cheese is good English and good Friese. (chapter 1)
8. Being a PhD-student is just another job, or is it?